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Development of Animal Husbandry in Manipur

2877. SHRI W. ANGOU SINGH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the Centrally-sponsored schemes formulated and implemented by Government for development of animal husbandry in Manipur;
- (b) whether any target has been fixed for the same during the last three years in the State; and
- (c) if so, the details of the achievements made so far in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (DR. DEBENDRA PRADHAN): (a) to (c) The Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying is implementing various Central Sector/Centrally Sponsored Schemes for the development of Animal Husbandry in Manipur. The Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, however, does not make any Statewise allocation of fund. The fund is released to the State Governments/UT Administration on the basis of viable proposals received from them. Accordingly, State-wise targets are not fixed under any scheme of the department. A statement indicating the fund

released to the State of Manipur during the last three years under different schemes is given below.

Statement
Fund released to the State of Manipur under different schemes during
last three years

(Rupees in Lakhs) S. Name of the Scheme Year No. 1997-98 1998-99 1999-2000 2 3 5 1 Extension of Frozen 54.56 108.50 1. Semen Technology 2. National Bull Production 18.85 Programme 3. National Ram/Buck Production 4.00 Programme Development of Pack animals 2.50 4. 5. Assistance to State 44.0 20.00for Integrated Piggery development Assitance to State for Poultry/ 45.00 6. Duck Farms Assistance to State for Control 11.33 11.35 7. of Animal Diseases Efficiency Professional 5.0 8. 7.66 Development National Project on Rinderpest 9. 2.0011.33 Eradication Assistance to State for Fodder 5.00 Development

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11.	Integrated Scheme	Sample	Survey	4.25	2.50	4.00
12.	Animal Husbandry Extension Programme		44.25	_		

National Policy for F.P.I.

2878. SHRI BRATIN SENGUPTA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government propose to bring a National Policy for the Food Processing Industries;
- (b) whether the Committee constituted for this purpose has submitted its report;
- (c) if so, the details thereof alongwith the time by when the policy is likely to be announced; and
- (d) whether Government have earmarked any National Fund for development of the food processing sector?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI TH. CHAOBA SINGH): (a) to (c) Department of Food Processing Industries (DFPI) organized four Regional Seminars at Kolkata, Mumbai, Bangalore and Lucknow to elicit regional inputs towards formulation of National Policy. Subsequently, a National Conference was also held at Delhi in this regard. Accordingly, a draft National Policy has since been drawn up, which broadly covers issues relating to availability of raw material, backward linkages, processing facilities including post-harvest infrastructure, packaging, food quality and safety etc. Taking into consideration the various procedures to be followed, a definite time-frame for the finalisation of the policy is difficult to envisage.

(d) The draft policy envisages creation of a processed food development fund.